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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS

January 24, DANUBE, British steamer, 361, R. 16 weeks. Haiphong 22nd January, and Hoihow 23rd. General—A. R. MARY.

January 25, FUSHUN, Chinese steamer. 1,500.

Cron, Shanghai 21st January, General—C. M. S. N. Co.

January 25, AMIGO, German steamer, 771, C. A.

Hindustan, Amoy and Swatow 24th Jan.

General—CHINKE.

January 25, FORMOSA, British steamer, 687, P.

Hall, Tamsui 21st January, Amoy 23rd, and

Swatow 24th. General—DOUGLAS LAPEAK

& CO.

January 25, EL DORADO, British steamer, 692,

Payne, Whampoa 25th January, General—

JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

January 25, YANGETHER, British steamer, 514,

Stirling, Whampoa 25th January, General—

SHIEMSEN & CO.

January 25, CHANGSHA, British steamer, 1,464,

J. E. Williams, Sydney 22nd December.

Brisbane 20th, Townsville 3rd January,

Cooktown 4th, Thursday Island 8th and

Port Darwin 14th. Coal and General—

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

January 25, BENGAL, British steamer, 4,500, W.

H. Andrews, Bombay 7th January, and Sin-

apore 20th. Mails and General—F. & O.

S. N. Co.

January 26, CASSANDRA, German steamer, 1,000,

J. Bohr, Hamburg and Singapore 17th

January, General—SHIEMSEN & CO.

January 25, PATNA, British steamer, 1,140, A.

S. Saunders, Calcutta 7th January, Fusan

15th, and Singapore 16th. Opium and Gen-

eral—DAVID SASSEN, SONS & CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

25TH JANUARY.

Palmer, British steamer, for Amoy.

El Dorado, British str., for Saigon.

Prej, Danish str., for Haiphong.

Wicksburg, German str., for Amoy.

Nathanael, British str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

January 25, SOOCHOW, British str., for Hoihow.

January 25, MARIE, German steamer, for Ha-

iphong.

January 25, DJEMNAH, French str., for Europe.

January 25, ACTIV, Danish str., for Hoihow.

January 25, KWONGSANG, Brit. str., for Bang-

kok.

January 25, OCTA, British str., for Kobe.

January 25, FUSHUN, Chinese str., for Whampoa.

January 25, VASHTNIK, Russian corvette, for

Singapore.

January 25, GLUCKSBURG, German str., for

Amoy.

January 25, MARSHAL, German bark, for

Hainan.

PASSENGERS.

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Per DANUBE, str., from Haiphong and Ho-

low—1 European, and 24 Chinese.

Per FUSHUN, str., from Shanghai—175 Chi-

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Per FUSSEN, str., from Tomeni, str.—M. J.

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Per FUSSEN, str., from Haiphong, &c.—161

Chinese.

Per FUSSEN, str., from Calcutta, Mr.—Misses

Holmes, Nossworthy, Ingles, and Seiger, and

518 Chinese.

Per Bengal, str., for Hongkong.—From Co-

lombia, Mrs. Glover, Misses Cole, Evans, Sted-

man, and Melville, Mrs. F. P. F. and 14 Chineses.

From Silichan.—M. L. Compton, de

Borodan and maid, Mrs. H. McLean, Compton,

Giles, R. A., and servant, Mrs. F. N. Frith,

Greene, Levitt, Allen, and Loeng Yungang, Mrs.

Ah Kow and servant, and 199 Chinese.

From Shanghai.—Misses Campbell and

Hindbury.—From Colombo.—Mr. and Mrs.

Reid and 3 children, the Misses Crewson

(2), Miss Dawson, Rogers, and Sutherland, Dr.

John, and 10 others.—For Yokohama.

From Colombo.—Mr. M. M. Molson, 2 children,

servant, and amah, Misses Wilson and White,

head. From Penang.—Misses Garraway and

E. J. Thomas and servant.

DEPARTED.

Per DJEMNAH, str., from Hongkong.—For

Saigon.—Capt. Roua, Sister Sainte Electa,

Sister Benoit Joseph, Mrs. Ngan See, 2 children,

and servant, Messrs. Yee Tsing and servant,

Mac Nam, Mr. R. Lopez, P. Iglesias, L. M.

J. L. Chang Kee, Lai Moi, and 11 Chinese.

For Tamsui.—Mr. and Mrs. Firmino, J. A.

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The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

Mr. P. RYRKE—I beg to propose that this consideration of this Bill be postponed. I have heard opinions expressed outside by people in trade, people who deal in sundry articles of various kinds, and they have great objections to the measure. They do not object to the principle of the Bill, but much to the way in which the penalties imposed. The difficulty would be very great; for instance, the time allowed to make the returns, five days; people may not be able to give the particulars in that time; the documents may be lost or there or anywhere, and it may not be possible to ascertain the particular. I think some modification of the Bill is required, and I would like to have the public consider it before it is passed.

His EXCELLENCE—Does not your objection relate to particularities than to the principle of the Bill? It is not fairer a master to be considered on the motion to go into Committee to be voted on the motion for the second reading?

Mr. P. RYRKE—I am not addressing so much my own opinion on the opinion of people who have a right to do so on the subject.

His EXCELLENCE—Then let us consider the motion to go into Committee to be voted on the motion for the second reading?

Mr. P. RYRKE—Your Excellency, I beg to give notice that at the next meeting I intend to ask whether it is true that fifteen men of the Government, Fixe Balaig, have been sent, and if so, that they have been made to sit on the effecting of the Bill, much to the dissatisfaction of the public.

His EXCELLENCE—Before separating I think we may relieve public anxiety by answering part of the question of which the hon. member has given notice. So far as I know fifteen men have not resigned; only one has resigned.

Mr. P. RYRKE—If your Excellency is certain of that course there is no necessity of my putting my question in writing.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Council adjourned till Friday, the 3rd February.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the board of directors to the ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders, to be held at the office of the company, on Saturday, the 4th February, at noon.

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the annual statement of accounts for the half-year ending 31st December last.

The amount of the net earnings, salaries, premium of insurance, repairs, and other outgoings, there remains, including £69,961.46 brought forward from last account, the sum of £69,961.46 in credit of profit and loss account, and £10,000 in debit of profit and loss account, to be carried up to the credit of the half-year.

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